Federal Procurement Data System - Next Generation (FPDS-NG) Transition Plan

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Overview

▸ Contract awarded by GSA to Global Computer Enterprises, Inc. (GCE) on April 23, 2003

- GCE to provide three collection solutions – batch submissions, real-time integration (behind the scene or GUI), and direct data entry. Each agency must determine the best method to connect existing or new procurement, financial, and/or program back office systems with FPDS-NG for FY 2004 data submission.

- GCE to provide a web reporting tool for agency reports and queries. FPDS-NG will be searchable, will derive reports and is Government-wide

▸ The purposes of the project are to:

- Enhance the FPDS to lower the government-wide cost of operations

- Be more responsive to the needs of its customers,

- Implement technology that enables data collection directly from agency electronic commerce systems.

▸ FPDS-NG is tasked to accomplish five things:

- Reduce the time to collect data about contracts

- Collect more and better information

- Provide management information

- Do it for less

- Be interoperable

▸ More information on FPDS-NG can be found at www.fpds-ng.com

Our Motivation

▶ Current process can be improved

- Current process takes too long – data not available for timely decisions
- Too many data "owners" – each level "massages" the data
- Too many people/systems required to aggregate data
- Non-standard data collection generates redundant costs
- Annual updates create a crisis for procurement policy and system programmers
- Limited visibility of purchases under $25K

Transition Goals

- Seamless transition from FPDS to FPDS-NG
  - October 1, 2003 "Go Live"
  - October 1, 2004 Full transition

- Elimination of feeder systems
  - Information transfer will be done from the contract writing system
  - Feeder system personnel could become FPDS-NG reporting experts

- One time data entry
  - Machine-to-Machine information transfer (FPDS-NG will stop accepting bulk transmissions in FY05/06)
  - Near real-time data availability

- More complete data
  - Individual contract reporting data (FPDS-NG will stop accepting summary reporting in FY05)

- FPDS-NG is the data source
  - All reporting data will be resident in FPDS-NG

Challenges

▸ Direct
- There may be data elements that are unique to each Service/Agency
- New transmission process will have an initial start-up cost
- Contract writing systems changes to meet the needs of FPDS-NG
- Resources necessary to make the changes for FPDS-NG
- Important sub-reporting processes and codes (i.e., classified)

▸ Cultural
- Priority Ranking versus other IT projects
- Not a high priority to Department (outside Procurement Community)
- Loss of data "ownership" prior to releasing to higher level
- Loss of customized reporting capability at feeder systems
- Loss of DD350/1057 familiarity
- Trust in FPDS-NG collection and reporting capabilities

Anticipated Measures of Success

‣ Percentage of data passed through DIOR vice straight to FPDS-NG

‣ Reduced number of feeder systems measured against defined targets

‣ Reduced reporting time lag measured against a set of current reporting processes

‣ Number of queries performed in FPDS-NG

Acquisition Domain Notional Timeline for Transition

▸ July 2003 – Convene FPDS-NG Transition Team

▸ July 2003 – Identify DoD Early Adopter

▸ September 2003 – Identify all feeder systems and data transmission processes

▸ 1 October 2003 – FPDS-NG Go Live

▸ October 2003 – September 2004 – Transition to FPDS-NG

Requested Participation

- Participants are needed for FPDS-NG Transition Team
  - Identify and assist in management of Early Adopter program
  - Identify sources of information within Service/Agency
  - Map route of information from sources to FPDS
  - Identify feeder systems along the route
  - Devise transition plan
  - Assist in implementation of transition plan

DoD Compliance Responsibilities

▸ Tasks

- Modify systems based on FPDS-NG standards and data dictionary
- Participate in system tests and Change Control Board
- Plan to report transactions of $25K or less
- Implement unique PIID schema and "register" PIID with FPDS-NG Program Office
- Appoint Agency or sub-agency administrators
- Identify users and establish user rights